

Order of Service for November 30, 2025

1st Sunday of Advent

Celebration of Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Celebrating: The Rev'd Tony Hilling

Assisting: The Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace



ISAIAH 2:3

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob



Pre-Service Music: We Have Come into His House (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the Service.)

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Processional Hymn: CP #89 O Come, O Come

Emmanuel (screens)

Greeting..... p 230 (Book of Alternative Services - Green book) (screens)

The Collect for Purity.....p. 230 (screens)

The Summary of the Law (screens)

Trisagion x 3 ... p. 231 (screens)

Collect of the Day p. 268 (screens)

The Lighting of the Advent Candle (with the children)

Light a Candle in the Night (Hope) (screens)

Children can now go out to Sunday School

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the book of Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war anymore. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 122... p. 882 (screens)

The Epistle Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Romans 13:11-14

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People:** *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: CP # 108 Hark a Herald Voice is

Sounding (screens)

The Holv Gospel

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** *And with thy spirit.*

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the

flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Matthew 24:36-44

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily

The <u>Apostles' Creed</u> . . . p. 251 (screens)

The Prayers of the People (screens) (The people sit or kneel for the prayers)

Confession and Absolution . . . p. 238 (screens)

The Peace ... p. 240 (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: Go Up to the Mountain (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts. p. 269 (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer B.... p. 243 (screens)

Proper Preface for Advent ... p. 252 (screens)

The Lord's Prayer f p. 245 (screens)

The Breaking of the Bread. ... p. 246 (screens)

Agnus Dei ... p. 247 (screens)

The Communion p. 246 (screens)

Communion Hymns (screens):

Even So, Lord Jesus Come CP # 94 Wait for the Lord CP # 494 Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels

Hymn after Communion (Please stand) Awake, Awake, O Zion (Our God Reigns) (screens)

Prayer after Communion. . . p. 248 (screens)

The Blessing

Announcements (screens)

Closing Hymn: Lord of Glory (screens)

Sending

You're invited to join us for Coffee, right after the Service, in the Hall.

Traditional Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.

Prayers for this Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **the Anglican Church of Australia**. In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle, we pray for **the people of the Anglican Church of Canada**. In the Lutheran Church, we pray for **the people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**. In the Moravian Church we pray for **the people of the Moravian Church in Canada**. **TOGETHER:** For those who have died in war, and for renewed commitment to work for peace.

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for *St. John, Olds with St. Cyprian, Lacombe and their Incumbent The Rev. Dr. Robert Sears*. We pray for *Vocational Deacons*. We lift to you our friends in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands. We pray for *St. Matthew, Biabou (bee-a-bou) with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent and their Incumbent The Ven. Junior Ballantyne.*

In our Parish Cycle, we pray today for our clergy Tony Hilling, Betty Nadurak, Cyril Haynes, Sean Devlin, Garry MacDowall and their families.

We pray for the special child our Parish sponsors through Children Believe.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you: Ari; Andrea; Dorothy Ann; Robbie; Patrick; Josh; Bob & Joanne; Michael; Scott; Kerin; Obiageli Gloria.

We thank you for your healing touch which sustains us every day; and for the many healings that have taken place in our parish, and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

We pray for all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil by storms, floods, fires, famine, or other climate disasters. We remember all who are struggling economically. Please help us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together.

We pray for forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by Residential Schools, for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation, and new paths forward that honour all God's precious children.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be. We pray for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of our risen Lord by Gloria Ford, in thanksgiving for the beauty of His creation.